Attachment 1: Sample Correspondence Letter for O/D Tank Barge Plan Approval Extension

Procedure Number: T1-1 Revision Date: 01/12/00

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Subj: Barge Builder, Inc. Hull 2000

195' x 35' x 12.5' Unmanned Type II/III Tank Barges (O/D)

Grade A (max. 25 psia Reid) and Lower Flammable and Combustible Liquids and

Specified Hazardous Cargoes

Design Density 8.7 lbs/gal; Maximum Density (slack load) 15.0 lbs/gal

Maximum Design Working Pressure (MDWP) 3.0 psi

Rivers; Lakes, Bays, and Sounds Extension of Plan Approval

Dear Mr. Smith:

In response to the request in your letter dated August 3, 1999, our hull, machinery, electrical, stability, and vapor control system approvals for Barge Builder, Inc. hulls 1998 and 1999 are extended to Barge Builder, Inc. hull 2000. Copies of the original approval correspondence are attached as enclosure (1). This extension of plan approval is based on our understanding that these vessels will be built to the same plans and will carry the same cargoes. You are responsible for providing copies of the original approved plans upon request by the cognizant Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI).

Enclosure (2) is the Plan Review Information Sheet (PRIS) for the subject barges. The PRIS gives the OCMI our recommendations for endorsements on the barge's Certificate of Inspection (COI), and includes a list of 46 CFR Part 151 cargoes we have found the barge qualified to carry based on the plans and information we have on file. Once the tank group characteristics are verified, the OCMI will enter the requested cargoes into the Coast Guard's Marine Safety Information System (MSIS). A barge is authorized to carry a specific cargo from 46 CFR Part 151, only after its COI has been so amended by the OCMI.

Sincerely,

T. J. SCHAUER Lieutenant, U.S. Coast Guard Chief, Domestic Tank Vessel Branch By direction of the Commanding Officer

Encl: (1) Our letters, Serial C1-9901103 dated April 7, 1999; Serial C2-9901212 dated April 15, 1999; and Serial E1-9900905 dated January 10, 1999

(2) PRIS for Barge Builder, Inc. hulls 1998 and 1999

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